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(TEXT) ADDIS ABABA, NOV 22, CENTER -- THE CHAIRMAN OF ETHIOPIA'S PROVISIONAL MILITARY GOVERNMENT, LIEUTENANT GENERAL AMAN ANDOM, WAS BELIEVED PLACED UNDER HOUSE ARREST TODAY BY TROOPS WHO SURROUNDED HIS HOME.

SOME 30 STEEL-HELMETED SOLDIERS ARMED WITH AK-47 WEAPONS RINGED THE GENERAL'S HOUSE. FOUR OR FIVE WERE SEEN TO ENTER THE BUILDING.

THE TROOPS, BELIEVED FROM THE FOURTH DIVISION IN ADDIS ABABA, MOVED IN ON THE GENERAL'S HOUSE AT ABOUT ONE P.M. (1000 GMT).

THE HOUSE IS IN THE GROUNDS OF THE PRINCESS TSEHAI HOSPITAL ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF ADDIS ABABA.

THERE HAVE BEEN RUMOURS OF A POWER STRUGGLE BETWEEN GENERAL AMAN, (WORD INDISTINCT) AND MAJOR MENGISTU HAILE MARIAM, 35-YEAR-OLD HEAD OF THE INNER CABINET OF ETHIOPIA'S 122-MAN MILITARY COUNCIL.

GENERAL AMAN IS NOT A COUNCIL MEMBER.

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